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Comments: After Hurricane Isabel, our neighborhood was without electricity for 13 days. The U of R Campus (across the street from our house) and those residents on their grid had power within 48 hrs. Our neighbor at 16 College Rd. is on the Campus grid and had power. She graciously shared her house with us. The initial cost to bury power lines might be high but the long term benefits outweigh the expense in a savings of manpower to repair damage resulting from falling trees and lightning shorting out transformers on poles. Power lines to municipal buildings, hospitals, long-term care facilities, food suppliers, etc. should be buried first and paid for by local funds. Burying power lines in neighborhoods should be encouraged with the homeowner paying part of the cost to bury the lines. After Isabel, we looked into the cost of burying our power lines, and will probably do so in the future. We think all new power lines should be buried. Thank you for the opportunity to express our opinions. Robert and Betty Hull